

**PROGRAM
FEDERAL JUDICIAL CENTER**

**PHASE I
ORIENTATION SEMINAR FOR NEWLY
APPOINTED BANKRUPTCY JUDGES**

April 13-16, 2004

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

8:30 GREETINGS AND INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Honorable James B. Haines, Jr.
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
District of Maine

Honorable C. Ray Mullins
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Northern District of Georgia

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FEDERAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM

**8:45 A WORD OF WELCOME TO THE FEDERAL
JUDICIAL SYSTEM**

Hon. Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
Director, Federal Judicial Center

9:00 ETHICS AND FEDERAL JUDGES

Hon. William L. Osteen
U.S. District Court
Middle District of Florida
and
Marilyn Holmes
Associate General Counsel
Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts
and
John S. Cooke
Director, Judicial Education Division
Federal Judicial Center

9:30 DISCUSSION

10:00 INTERMISSION

- 10:15 **BASICS ON THE ART OF JUDGING**
Hon. Martin V.B. Bostetter, Jr. (Retired)
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Eastern District of Virginia
- 10:45 DISCUSSION
- 11:15 **THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE SYSTEM**
Hon. Robert Kressel
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
District of Minnesota
and
Hon. Susan Pierson Sonderby
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
District of Illinois
- 11:45 DISCUSSION
- 12:15 LUNCHEON INTERMISSION

CASE MANAGEMENT

- 1:45 **PRINCIPLES OF CALENDAR MANAGEMENT**
Hon. J. Wendell Roberts (Retired)
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Western District of Kentucky
- 2:15 DISCUSSION
- 2:45 **PRETRIAL PROCEDURES IN THE
BANKRUPTCY COURT**
Judge Bostetter
and
Hon. Robert Martin
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Western District of Wisconsin
- 3:45 DISCUSSION
- 4:15 ADJOURNMENT

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

- 8:30 **HANDLING MOTIONS**
Judge Lloyd King
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
District of Hawaii
and
Hon. Robert F. Hershner, Jr.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Middle District of Georgia

9:00 DISCUSSION

9:30 **HANDLING TRIALS**
Hon. Barry Russell
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Central District of California

10:00 INTERMISSION

10:15 DISCUSSION

10:45 **SETTLEMENT TECHNIQUES FOR
BANKRUPTCY JUDGES**
Hon. Randall J. Newsome
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Northern District of California

11:15 DISCUSSION

11:45 LUNCHEON INTERMISSION

1:15 **ORGANIZATION AND JURISDICTION OF THE
U. S. BANKRUPTCY COURTS**
Hon. J. Rich Leonard
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Eastern District of North Carolina
and
Professor S. Elizabeth Gibson
University of North Carolina School of Law
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

1:45 DISCUSSION

2:15 INTERMISSION

SUBSTANTIVE LAW

2:30 **OVERVIEW OF CHAPTER 13**
Hon. Charles N. Clevert, Jr.
U.S. District Judge
Eastern District of Wisconsin
and
Hon. Mary Davies Scott (Retired)
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas

3:00 DISCUSSION

3:30 **CHAPTER 12--AGRICULTURAL BANKRUPTCIES**
 Judge Small

4:00 DISCUSSION

4:30 ADJOURNMENT

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

8:30 **CHAPTER 11 REORGANIZATION-THE BASICS AND THE JUDICIAL ROLE**
 Hon. Nancy Dreher
 U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
 District of Minnesota
 and
 George M. Treister, Esq.
 Los Angeles, California
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9:45 INTERMISSION

10:00 **CHAPTER 11 VIDEO (CONT'D)**

10:15 DISCUSSION

10:45 **DISCHARGE AND DISCHARGEABILITY**
 Hon. A. Thomas Small
 U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
 Eastern District of North Carolina

11:15 DISCUSSION

11:45 LUNCHEON INTERMISSION

1:00 **SERVICES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**
 Frank F. Szczebak, Chief
 Bankruptcy Judges Division
 Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts

2:00 **RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS**
 Carol S. Sefren
 Chief, Judges Compensation and Benefits Branch
 Article III Judges Division, AO

3:00 INTERMISSION

3:15 Retirement and Benefits (Continuation)

4:15 ADJOURNMENT

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

8:00 **THE FEDERAL RULES OF EVIDENCE**
 Hon. James Hancock
 U.S. District Judge
 Northern District of Alabama

9:00 DISCUSSION

9:15 INTERMISSION

9:30 **FEDERAL RULES (CONT'D)**

10:30 DISCUSSION

11:30 CONCLUDING REMARKS
 COMPLETION OF EVALUATION FORMS

11:45 ADJOURNMENT